

## RAILROAD NEWS.

### Gould Interests Going After Oklahoma Business.

### Now Own But One Line in the Two Territories.

### THEY SEEK OTHERS.

### May Have Secured Control of the Oklahoma Central.

### Other Items of Interest to Railway People.

Guthrie, Ok., June 20.—That the Gould interests are going to get busy in Oklahoma railroad circles is indicated by the semi-official announcement that they had secured control of the Oklahoma Central, an independent line now in operation from Lehigh to Purcell and under construction from Purcell to Chickasha. The road gives a western outlet from the coal field of the Choctaw nation and for practically its entire length traverses a country which had been entirely unoccupied by the railroads. It crosses several north and south lines, but is the only east and west road in the two territories, with the one exception of the Choctaw, now owned by the Rock Island.

The Gould interests now have but one line in either territory, the Iron Mountain line running from Coffeyville, Kan., to Fort Smith, Ark. Rumors have been afloat for several years that they intended invading the Oklahoma field, and it had been commonly talked that the proposed line from Caney, Kan., southwest through Pawhuska to Guthrie was a Missouri Pacific proposition, but that line, at least so far as any Missouri Pacific connections are concerned, now seems to have fallen through entirely.

The M. & T. is also planning a number of extensions in Oklahoma. Reports from Shawnee, which do not seem to be official in their character, state that the company will build a branch from the city northeast to Fallis, giving direct connections with Guthrie, and another to the northwest so as to give more direct communications between Shawnee and Muskogee. Work is now in progress on the shortening of the line between Shawnee and Atoka, and with that end in view, three miles of track between Ada and Kanawa are being moved from the river embankment to a new grade along the rock cliff. Additional train service is also to be given on the M. & T. branch between Muskogee and Osage Kingdom, giving the people along that branch a chance to catch the fast trains for St. Louis and Kansas City.

The St. Louis, Bartlesville & Pacific, the proposed east and west line through the northern part of the state has made a petition to the citizens of Ponca City, which is favorably considered there. The promoters of the road ask \$25,000 from Ponca City, but will allow the city a mile of right of way from the east line of the county to Chickasha river and \$10,000 for terminal facilities in the city, reducing the actual cash bonus to \$7,500.

### PREPARE FOR THE RUSH.

### Harrison Lines Getting Ready to Handle Heavy Traffic.

Chicago, June 20.—Every exertion is being made by the Harrison lines to prevent a recurrence of last year's congestion of traffic through the lack of equipment. From these exertions, every industry on the Pacific coast will benefit immensely. A large increase of traffic is expected over last year, and provision has been made to meet it. The new equipment of the Southern Pacific movement alone on the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon to points outside the state jumped to 2,400,000 tons in June, 1906, an increase of \$28 a carload, or 12 1/2 per cent. The eastbound tonnage in the same time increased from 15,000,000 tons to nearly 22,000,000, and unprecedented gain was responsible for delays that occurred in spite of arrangements made in advance to handle an expected increase in lumber traffic, but of course, such a phenomenal increase as actually occurred could not be foreseen.

New freight equipment on the Harrison system amounts in the aggregate to something like \$6,000,000, but as the cars are of much greater carrying capacity than the old ones, the number does not give any adequate conception of the actual increase. The total freight capacity of these new cars is 2,720,776 tons, and trackage and motive power have been increased in a corresponding degree.

### SHORT ROUTE TO THE COAST.

### Grand Trunk-Pacific Has Located a Favorable One.

Chicago, June 20.—A route through to the Pacific coast has been located definitely by the Grand Trunk-Pacific road through the Yellow Head pass, from Edmonton to Prince Rupert. That due care has been exercised in the selection of this route is evident from the fact that three years have been spent in diligent exploration by a large staff of experienced engineers, charged with the task of finding the most feasible and economical route through the mountains. That success has been attained in the selection is evident, when the exceptionally low and favorable gradients obtained are taken into consideration. The maximum grade through the mountains eastward is as low as four-tenths of 1 per cent or 2 1/2 feet to the mile, for the entire distance from Prince Rupert to Edmonton. This is no greater than the extremely low grades afforded on the prairie section from Edmonton to Winnipeg.

Westward the maximum gradient

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from Edmonton to Prince Rupert is almost equally favorable, being only five-tenths of 1 per cent, or 2 1/2 feet to the mile. In crossing the mountains but one summit has to be reached, its maximum altitude being 3,712 feet. As a result of these low grades great benefit will accrue to the road through economy in operation. No other transcontinental road will equal it in this respect.

### SHIPPERS ARE KICKING NOW.

### Claim They Were Gold Bricked by Hepburn Act.

Shippers, after a few months' experience of the workings of the Hepburn act, have come to the conclusion that it is a poor thing for them, and most of them would be glad to go back to the old conditions which obtained before its passage. They have come to the conclusion that the roads derive more benefit from the enforcement of its provisions than the shippers do. In fact, they are of opinion that the roads have stolen a march on them. The roads, they say, got the president first, and impressed him with the idea that the shippers of freight who accepted rebates and passes were the real offenders against everything that was right and proper in the transportation world. With his usual impetuosity and irrepressible energy President Roosevelt, they declare, is going so fast in the direction in which he was headed by the railway men that the shippers have had to be ed to get together and begin to make so much noise that it will attract his attention, so that they may have an opportunity to show him that the law is unjust to them and disabuse his mind of the impression that they were responsible for all the ills which the law almost remedy.

The shippers especially want the law amended so that they will not be held responsible for mistakes made by the railroads in compiling tariffs or quoting rates. They also want it quoted and put on a bill of lading the road, and not the shippers, will be responsible for anything that is illegal about it.

### MAY DELAY TERMINALS.

### Railroads See Trouble in Floating Bonds for Kansas City Station.

Chicago, June 20.—Owing to the difficulties which railroads are experiencing in floating their securities, it is possible that the \$10,000,000 floating terminal improvement at Kansas City may be indefinitely delayed. The board of directors of the Kansas City Union Terminal company, in their annual report, expressed the opinion that the expectation of securing the desired ordinance from the city council of Kansas City, held a meeting yesterday in the office of President B. L. Harmon, of the Rock Island to consider ways and means of financing the project.

After several hours' discussion, the officials were up and decided to think over the subject and meet again at some time in the future. The general opinion was to the effect that at this time it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to float the \$12,000,000 or \$15,000,000 worth of securities which will be needed to complete the improvement at least, to float them upon favorable terms.

### FREIGHT HANDLERS WIN OUT.

### Railroads Offer Them a Seven Per Cent Increase in Pay.

Chicago, June 20.—Five thousand freight handlers in the employ of railroads in Chicago probably will receive wage advances amounting to \$250,000 annually in the next few days. The St. Paul road yesterday offered its men a 7 per cent increase in pay and other roads are expected to follow the example.

The St. Paul employees at a meeting last night practically accepted the wage offer, although it is less than the advance demanded by the union, which was about 12 1/2 per cent. This makes the second increase received by freight handlers within the last year, an advance of 1 cent an hour having been granted by all roads last September.

### DEVICES FOR SAFETY.

### Train Dispatchers, in Convention, Suggest Many of Them.

Boston, June 20.—At yesterday's session of the national convention of Train Dispatchers' association the committee on rules recommended the adoption by the American Railway association of an extension of the device to deliver orders to express trains between stations and the use of "selectors" by which operators in the small local office could call for the attention of a train by a distinctive signal on the front of all locomotives. The use of the device was urged as well as an identification device to be used on all trains except passenger trains so that other trains passing them may positively know what train they have met or passed.

### BIG SOUTHERN EARNINGS.

### In a Year the Net Have Increased 91 Per Cent.

Boston, June 20.—The Kansas City Southern will earn about 11 per cent on its preferred stock this year, or the equivalent of a full year's preferred dividend, and nearly 5 per cent on the common. Gross earnings for the ten months to May 1 show an increase of \$1,222,780, or a little over 19 per cent, while the net increase in operating expenses makes the net earnings foot up to \$1,388,021, or an increase of 91 per cent. One month of these ten showed 114 per cent increase in operating expenses. Gross earnings for the ten months to May 1 show an increase of \$1,222,780, or a little over 19 per cent, while the net increase in operating expenses makes the net earnings foot up to \$1,388,021, or an increase of 91 per cent.

### GAVE HIM A WATCH AND CHAIN.

### Santa Fe Yard Force Remembered Mr. Hayward.

Ottawa, Kan., June 20.—The members of the switch force at the Santa Fe yards and the car clerks last evening presented to the retiring yardmaster, C. T. Hayward, a gold watch and chain. Mr. Hayward left the service of the Santa Fe last night, after three and a half years at Ottawa.

## UP ONE MORE RUNG

### Topeka Gets Into Second Place at Last.

### Takes Final Game From the Oklahoma City Mets.

### HALLA'S PITCHING.

### Visitors Could Do Nothing With His Delivery.

### Hurlburt's Batting a Feature of the Game.

Another rung up the ladder to the top of the percentage column is the outcome of yesterday's game. Three out of four from the Oklahoma City Mets bring the White Sox from fourth place to second in the short space of four days.

No team in the Western Association could have won from Topeka yesterday with Halla pitching the gilt edged ball which he did. The cream of the whole association arrayed against him would not have been a sufficiently strong combination to have sent one man over the rubber. Halla had everything in his repertoire working in good order and the efforts of the city players to solve his delivery were pitiful in the extreme. Halla performed like a magician with tin soldiers as the Oklahoma City went out one, two, three.

### When Nasty Bill Failed to Connect.

Now for seven straight games with Wichita. With the pitchers working as they are at present and everything looking rosy for the locals four out of the seven from Wichita will follow as a natural consequence.

### Another story of victory:

### TOPEKA.

Player	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Lawler, lf.	4	0	0	4	0	0
Hurlburt, cf.	4	0	0	4	0	0
Abbott, 3b.	4	0	2	13	0	0
Erwin, rf.	3	0	1	2	0	0
Ragan, 1b.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Runkel, ss.	3	0	0	1	1	0
Olson, 2b.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Conneman, c.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Halla, p.	3	1	0	1	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>

### OKLAHOMA CITY.

Player	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pendry, 2b.	4	0	1	3	0	0
Scoville, lf.	4	0	0	3	0	0
Gill, 1b.	4	0	0	10	1	0
Ragan, 3b.	4	0	0	1	0	0
M. McFarland, cf.	3	0	0	1	0	0
White, ss.	3	0	0	3	2	0
Snooks, c.	3	0	0	1	3	0
Bemis, p.	3	0	1	0	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

### SCORE BY INNINGS.

Topeka.....00010002-3  
Oklahoma.....00000000-0

Summary: Earned runs—Topeka 2. Three base hit—Hurlburt. Two base hit—Hurlburt, Erwin, Rapps. Sacrifices—Runkel, Olson, Conneman, Olson, McFarland, White, Snooks, Bemis.

Batteries—Ragan, bases—Off Bemis 1. Struck out—By Halla 3, by Bemis 1. Left on bases—Topeka 4, Oklahoma City 4. Doubles played—Halla to Ragan to Abbott; Rapps to Snooks to Pendry. Wild pitch—Bemis. Time of game—1:35. Attendance—700. Umpire—Guthrie.

### Hutchinson 7, Springfield 5.

Springfield, Mo., June 20.—Hutchinson won from Springfield on the home grounds by a score of 7 to 5.

Three were pitched by both teams. The visitors had three pitchers in the box during the game.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Springfield.....00001002-3  
Hutchinson.....0022003-7

Batteries—Olmstead and Partridge; Atchison and Noyes.

### Wichita 3, Joplin 2.

Wichita, Kan., June 20.—Loose playing permitted the visitors to tie the score in the ninth but in the eleventh inning the locals rallied and won by a score of 3 to 2.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Joplin.....00000000-0  
Wichita.....010010-3

Batteries—Root and Vanderhill; Dick and Weaver.

### Leavenworth 6, Webb City 5.

Webb City, Mo., June 20.—With a batting rally in the ninth Leavenworth took the game 6 to 5, Vaughn's timely two bagger scored the winning runs.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Leavenworth.....03000101-6  
Webb City.....11000004-5

Batteries—Shaner and Cheek; Selby, Ashley and Fisher.

### Western Association Standing.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Wichita	23	15	.606
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Oklahoma City	23	15	.606
Joplin	23	15	.606
Hutchinson	23	15	.606
Webb City	23	15	.606
Springfield	23	15	.606
Leavenworth	23	15	.606

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

At Toledo—Toledo, 3; Kansas City, 4.

At Louisville—Louisville, 6; Minneapolis, 0.

At Indianapolis—First game: Indianapolis, 5; St. Paul, 6. Second game: Indianapolis, 1; St. Paul, 1.

(Called to catch train.)

At Columbus—Columbus, 3; Milwaukee, 10.

### Spec Bringing in the Score.

In the eighth inning Topeka got her other scores. With one down, Halla walked and Lawler flew out to White. Hurlburt, who was hitting the ball all afternoon, tripled to left center and Halla scored. Abbott singled scoring the White Sox captain. Abbott attempted to steal second but his trolley slipped and the scoring was over. In the fourth inning with two men out Rapps doubled to second but the Mets' center fielder was unable to get any further. The only time that Halla really had to work very much to defeat the Mets came in the sixth inning. Bemis started off with a single

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and Pendry followed suit. Bemis, however, being held at second. Scoville attempted a sacrifice but Bemis was caught at third. Gill went out. Halla to Abbott and Rapps rolled an easy one down to Olson for the third out.

Outside of the gilt edged work of Halla in the box, the feature of the game was the batting of Captain Hurlburt. The big captain was only up four times but that was enough for him to connect for a single, double and a triple. Davis was out of the game with his spiked hand and Erwin took his place in right. He made a great one handed catch. A drive from McFarland in the second inning which robbed the Met player of a three bagger. He also secured a double.

### Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 1.

Pittsburgh, June 20.—For the third time in succession the Philadelphia Phillies defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates. The home team made eight hits in as many innings and never got two in any one inning.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Pittsburgh.....00100000-1  
Philadelphia.....00101000-2

Batteries—Willis, Philippi and Gibson; Pittinger and Doolin.

### National League Standing.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	40	12	.769
New York	32	19	.625
Philadelphia	32	19	.625
Pittsburgh	32	19	.625
Boston	32	19	.625
Cincinnati	32	19	.625
St. Louis	32	19	.625
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### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

St. Louis 9, New York 0.

New York, June 20.—Outplayed at every stage of the game, by St. Louis, New York suffered a decisive defeat by the score of 9 to 0.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
St. Louis.....0003012-9  
New York.....00000000-0

Batteries—Petty and Buelow; Hogg, Kilton and Rickey.

### Washington 4, Cleveland 0.

Washington, June 20.—Washington defeated Cleveland in a pitchers' battle, 4 to 0. The only run of the game resulted from Bradley's bad throw to first.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Washington.....00000001-4  
Cleveland.....00000000-0

Batteries—Smith and Warner; Bernhard and Wakefield.

### Chicago 8, Boston 2.

Boston, June 20.—Chicago had no trouble in defeating Boston, 8 to 2, the locals playing poorly in the field.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Chicago.....40011206-8  
Boston.....00100102-2

Batteries—Walsh and Sullivan; Jacobson, Harris and Armbruster.

### Philadelphia 4, Detroit 1.

Philadelphia, June 20.—Detroit's inability to hit Dygert caused their defeat by the home club.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Detroit.....00000010-1  
Philadelphia.....02002000-4

Batteries—Mullin, Stever and Schmidt; Dygert and Schreck.

### American League Standing.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	33	18	.647
Cleveland	28	23	.556
Detroit	28	19	.595
Philadelphia	28	23	.556
New York	28	23	.556
St. Louis	28	23	.556
Washington	28	23	.556
Boston	28	23	.556

### WESTERN LEAGUE.

Denver 6, Lincoln 1.

Denver, June 20.—Denver defeated Lincoln, 6 to 1, by opportune hitting.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Denver.....01200030-6  
Lincoln.....00100000-1

Batteries—Olmstead and McDonough; Clotte and Zlinran.

### Omaha 7, Pueblo 3.

Pueblo, June 20.—Omaha took the game in eleven innings by a score of 7 to 3.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Pueblo.....1100000100-3  
Omaha.....0102000000-7

Batteries—Fitzgerald, Drill and Smith; Sanders, Ragan and Gonding.

### Des Moines 8, Sioux City 2.

Sioux City, June 20.—Sioux City lost the second game of the Des Moines series by poor work in the seventh inning. The champions stole seven bases in this inning.

Score by innings:.....R.H.E.  
Sioux City.....00200000-2  
Des Moines.....00201000-8

Batteries—Corbett and Spies; Sporer and Yeager.

### Hope 16-14, Gypsum 7-7.

Hope, Kan., June 20.—In a double header here Wednesday between Hope and Gypsum, both games were won by the Hope team. First game, 16 to 7; second game, 14 to 7. Batteries: Gray, Hoffman and Barber; Manon, Miller and Talbot.

### Good Baseball at Kinsley.

Kinsley, Kan., June 20.—The Wichita White Sox shut out the Denver Boosters here Wednesday by a score of 2 to 0. Batteries—Hatfield and Forney; Corns and Kepply.

### Clyde 10, Jamestown 5.

Clyde, June 20.—Tuesday the Clyde team defeated the Jamestown team at Jamestown 10 to 5. It was a good game, free from wrangling, but played on a wet diamond.

### Newton 6, McPherson 4.

McPherson, Kan., June 20.—In the first game of a second series between Newton and McPherson, McPherson lost the game to Newton by a score of 6 to 4. Batteries—Baird and Hoggatt; Panky and Bradley. Umpire—Nelson.

### Sterling 6, Ellinwood 5.

Sterling, Kan., June 20.—The Sterling Reds of Sterling defeated Ellinwood here Wednesday in a closely contested game of ten innings, score 6 to 5. Batteries—Green and McVay; Powers and Dreisen.

### A Fortunate Texan.

Mr. E. W. Goodie, of 307 St. Louis st., Dallas, Tex., says: "In the past year